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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT'S MEETING WITH NATO PERMANENT REPRESENT-

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1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF ANNOUNCEMENT WHITE HOUSE WILL
MAKE AT NOON JUNE 18:

BEGIN TEXT: THE PRESIDENT WILL MEET WITH NATO SECRETARY
GENERAL JOSEPH LUNS, DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL PANSA
CEDRONIO, AND THE FIFTEEN PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES TO
THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL ON JUNE 19 AT 3:00 P.M. THE
MEETING, WILL FOCUS ON ISSUES OF CURRENT INTEREST
TO THE NORTH ATLANTIC ALLIANCE,
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2. Q'S AND A'S FOLLOW:

Q: WHY IS THE MEETING BEING HELD?

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A: THE MEETING WILL REFLECT THE PRESIDENT'S CONTINUING INTEREST IN CLOSE CONSULTATION AMONG THE MEMBERS OF THE ALLIANCE.

Q: WHEN DID THE PRESIDENT ISSUE THE INVITATION?

A: THE PRESIDENT EXTENDED THE INVITATION TO THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES WHEN HE MET WITH SECRETARY GENERAL LUNS AT THE WHITE HOUSE ON FEBRUARY 24, 1975.

Q: ARE THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMING HERE EXPRESSLY FOR THIS OCCASION?

A: THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES ALSO WILL BE ATTENDING A SACLANT SYMPOSIUM AT THE NAVAL ACADEMY IN ANNAPOLIS JUNE 18-20 CALLED "SEA LINK 75"--ITS THEME "THE WORLD MARATIME SCENE-THE NATO PERSPECTIVE."

Q: WHO IS THE U.S. PERMREP?

A: AMBASSADOR DAVID K. E. BRUCE.

Q: HAVE THE PERMREPS MADE A SIMILAR CALL ON A PRESIDENT BEFORE?

A: YES. THE PERMREPS MET WITH PRESIDENT NIXON IN 1973. KISSINGER

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